

# Tennessee Civil War Heritage Area

Tennessee

Authorized November 12, 1996

**Years since Designation** 

1996 2002

**Management Entity** Center for Historic Preservation, Middle Tennessee State University

Management Plan Status draft plan in process

**Square Mileage of Counties in Heritage Area** 41,219

# 2000 Census Data

Data	2000 Census	Percent Change from 1990
Total Population	5,689,283	+16.7
Persons under 18 Years, Percent	24.0	-3.9
Persons 25-44 Years, Percent	28.9	-3.4
Persons Over 65 Years, Percent	13.8	-3.2
White Alone, Percent	89.6	-2.6
Hispanic Origin, Percent	1.6	+223
Black or African American, Percent	7.3	-1.0
Median Household Income (2000 \$)	37,692	+31.8
Percent Unemployed	6.1	-13.1
Percent Below Poverty Level	13.2	-26.2

# **Resources Profile**

Number of National Register Properties	615
Number of National Historic Landmarks	14
National Natural Landmarks	13
National Park Units	11

**Congressional Districts** 9

**Local Government Units 940** 



#### **Profile**

Tennessee, the gateway to the heart of the Confederacy, is an area rich in sites, buildings, landscapes, and documented sources that tell the stories of the American Civil War and Reconstruction. Geographic location, along with strategic river and rail routes, productive farmlands, and industrial sites made the state a crucial prize fought for by both armies. Every county in Tennessee was affected by the destruction of the land, loss of life, bitter divisions within families and communities. and political and social turmoil of the war years and the following decades. The Tennessee Civil War Heritage Area focuses on the late antebellum period (from ca. 1850), military activity, the home front experience, Reconstruction, and the enduring legacy of this watershed of history.

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